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In re Application of:

Gerard HAYES et al

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 22, 2008, applicants filed a Notice of Appeal with petition for a three month extension of time on October 22, 2008. Instead of proceeding with the appeal, applicants have decided to file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The RCE is being filed concurrent herewith. The period for response for filing the appeal brief having expired on December 22, 2008 (two month response period), applicants have also filed concurrent herewith a petition for a four month extension of time. The fees for the RCE and extension are being paid through the electronic filing system. The Commissioner, however, is authorized to charge Deposit Account 18-2056 any fees that may be required to enter this paper and/or maintain the pendency of this application.

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